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Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan

The General Assembly,

Having considered the reports of the Secretary-General on the financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan[1] and the related report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2]

Recalling Security Council resolution 1996 (2011) of 8 July 2011, by which the Council established, as from 9 July 2011, the United Nations Mission in South Sudan, and the subsequent resolutions by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission, the latest of which was resolution 2223 (2015) of 28 May 2015, by which the Council extended the mandate of the Mission until 30 November 2015,

Recalling also its resolution 66/243 A of 24 December 2011 on the financing of the Mission and its subsequent resolutions thereon, the latest of which was resolution 69/260 of 29 December 2014,

Reaffirming the general principles underlying the financing of United Nations peacekeeping operations, as stated in General Assembly resolutions 1874 (S-IV) of 27 June 1963, 3101 (XXVIII) of 11 December 1973 and 55/235 of 23 December 2000,

Mindful of the fact that it is essential to provide the Mission with the financial resources necessary to enable it to fulfil its responsibilities under the relevant resolutions of the Security Council,

1. *Requests* the Secretary-General to entrust the Head of Mission with the task of formulating future budget proposals in full accordance with the provisions of its resolutions 59/296 of 22 June 2005, 60/266 of 30 June 2006, 61/276 of 29 June 2007, 64/269 of 24 June 2010, 65/289 of 30 June 2011, 66/264 of 21 June 2012 and 69/___ of ____June 2015, as well as other relevant resolutions;

[1] A/69/677 and A/69/800.
[2] A/69/839/Add.15.

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2. *Takes note* of the status of contributions to the United Nations Mission in South Sudan as at 30 April 2015, including the contributions outstanding in the amount of 227.5 million United States dollars, representing some 7 per cent of the total assessed contributions, notes with concern that only 61 Member States have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States, in particular those in arrears, to ensure payment of their outstanding assessed contributions;

3. *Expresses its appreciation* to those Member States which have paid their assessed contributions in full, and urges all other Member States to make every possible effort to ensure payment of their assessed contributions to the Mission in full;

4. *Expresses concern* at the financial situation with regard to peacekeeping activities, in particular as regards the reimbursements to troop contributors that bear additional burdens owing to overdue payments by Member States of their assessments;

5. *Emphasizes* that all future and existing peacekeeping missions shall be given equal and non-discriminatory treatment in respect of financial and administrative arrangements;

6. *Also emphasizes* that all peacekeeping missions shall be provided with adequate resources for the effective and efficient discharge of their respective mandates;

7. *Requests* the Secretary-General to ensure that proposed peacekeeping budgets are based on the relevant legislative mandates;

8. *Endorses* the conclusions and recommendations contained in the report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions,[2] subject to the provisions of the present resolution, and requests the Secretary-General to ensure their full implementation;

9. *Takes note* of paragraph 51 of the report of the Advisory Committee;

10. *Requests* the Secretary-General to make every effort to ensure that all construction projects are completed in a timely manner and that Headquarters continues to provide effective oversight;

11. *Also requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the timely implementation of planned quick-impact projects;

12. *Further requests* the Secretary-General to ensure the full implementation of the relevant provisions of its resolutions 59/296, 60/266, 61/276, 64/269, 65/289, 66/264 and 69/___;

13. *Requests* the Secretary-General to take all action necessary to ensure that the Mission is administered with a maximum of efficiency and economy;

Budget performance report for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014

14. *Takes note* of the report of the Secretary-General on the budget performance of the Mission for the period from 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014;[3]

Budget estimates for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016

15. *Decides* to appropriate to the Special Account for the United Nations Mission in South Sudan the amount of 1,139,520,000 dollars for the period from 1 July 2015 to 30 June 2016, inclusive of 1,085,769,200 dollars for the maintenance of the Mission, 44,738,400 dollars for the support account for peacekeeping operations and 9,012,400 dollars for the United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy;

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16. *Decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 474,800,000 dollars for the period from 1 July to 30 November 2015, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239 of 24 December 2012, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2015, as set out in its resolution 67/238 of 24 December 2012;

17. *Also decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X) of 15 December 1955, there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 9,409,625 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 7,572,958 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,456,167 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 380,500 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

18. *Further decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 94,960,000 dollars for the period from 1 to 31 December 2015, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2015, as set out in its resolution 67/238, subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

19. *Decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as provided for in paragraph 18 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 1,881,925 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 1,514,592 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 291,233 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 76,100 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

20. *Also decides* to apportion among Member States the amount of 569,760,000 dollars for the period from 1 January to 30 June 2016, at a monthly rate of 94,960,000 dollars, in accordance with the scale of assessments for 2016 and the updated levels,[4] subject to a decision of the Security Council to extend the mandate of the Mission;

21. *Further decides* that, in accordance with the provisions of its resolution 973 (X), there shall be set off against the apportionment among Member States, as

[3] A/69/677.

[4] To be adopted by the General Assembly.

provided for in paragraph 20 above, their respective share in the Tax Equalization Fund of 11,291,550 dollars, comprising the estimated staff assessment income of 9,087,550 dollars approved for the Mission, the prorated share of 1,747,400 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the support account and the prorated share of 456,600 dollars of the estimated staff assessment income approved for the United Nations Logistics Base;

22. *Decides* that, for Member States that have fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their apportionment, as provided for in paragraph 16 above, their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the total amount of 25,158,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2014, in accordance with the levels updated in its resolution 67/239, taking into account the scale of assessments for 2014, as set out in its resolution 67/238;

23. *Also decides* that, for Member States that have not fulfilled their financial obligations to the Mission, there shall be set off against their outstanding obligations their respective share of the unencumbered balance and other income in the amount of 25,158,700 dollars in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2014, in accordance with the scheme set out in paragraph 22 above;

24. *Further decides* that the decrease of 359,200 dollars in the estimated staff assessment income in respect of the financial period ended 30 June 2014 shall be set off against the credits in the amount of 25,158,700 dollars referred to in paragraphs 22 and 23 above;

25. *Emphasizes* that no peacekeeping mission shall be financed by borrowing funds from other active peacekeeping missions;

26. *Encourages* the Secretary-General to continue to take additional measures to ensure the safety and security of all personnel participating in the Mission under the auspices of the United Nations, bearing in mind paragraphs 5 and 6 of Security Council resolution 1502 (2003) of 26 August 2003;

27. *Invites* voluntary contributions to the Mission in cash and in the form of services and supplies acceptable to the Secretary-General, to be administered, as appropriate, in accordance with the procedure and practices established by the General Assembly;

28. *Decides* to include in the provisional agenda of its seventieth session the item entitled "Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan".